AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend Paragraph [0027] of the specification as follows:

In the embodiment of the invention illustrated in Figs. 5a, 5b, and 5c there is illustrated a spline configuration wherein the splines 30 are provided with a rib or ridge 34, having a small cross-section, formed along the entire length of the highly toleranced surfaces between adjacent ones of the splines 30 of the component 22. The ribs 34 facilitate the achievement of the required tolerances of the component 22. ~~The ribs 34 contact the surface of a corresponding shaft (not shown) to form a tight fit therebetween~~. The ribs 34 contact an outer surface 36 of a corresponding body 38. An arrow 40 is meant to designate contact between the rib 34 and the outer surface 36 of the corresponding body 38.